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QUANTIFICATION OF PROBABILITY THAT CERTAIN THREATS WILL
OCCUR DURING THE PERIOD 1967-1980

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Percent

1. Western Pacific Area

- a. What is the probability that conflict will occur in the area? 70 %
- b. If hostilities occur, what probability would you ascribe to:
- (1) Level of intensity -- General War/South Asia 10 %
- General War/Communist China 20 %
- Limited War only 0 %
- Insurgency only 0 %
- Ltd. War and Insurgency 70 %
- 100%
- (2) Area of conflict -- North Asia 5 %
- East Asia only 25 %
- Southeast Asia only 20 %
- North and East 5 %
- North and Southeast 5 %
- East and Southeast 10 %
- All three areas 5 %
- 100%
- (3) Intensity related to area -- North Asia/General War 70 %
- Limited War only 30 %
- Insurgency only 0 %
- Ltd. War and Insurg. 0 %
- 100%

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(3) Intensity related to
area (continued) -- East Asia/General War 70 %

Limited War only 20 %

Insurgency only %

Ltd. War and Insurg. %

100%

Southeast Asia/General War 20

Limited War only 0 %

Insurgency only 0 %

Ltd. War and Insurg. 80 %

100%

2. Indian Ocean Area

a. What is the probability that hostilities will occur? %

b. If hostilities occur, what probability would you ascribe to:

(1) Level of intensity -- General War 10 %

Limited War only 30 %

Insurgency only 20 %

Ltd. War and Insurgency 40 %

100%

(2) Area of hostilities -- Bay of Bengal^{1/} 40 %

(assume independence)

South Asia^{2/} 30 %

Persian Gulf^{3/} 20 %

East Africa^{4/} 10 %

1/ Malaysia, Thailand, Burma, Assam, East Pakistan.2/ India, Pakistan, Ceylon.3/ Iran, Arabia Peninsula.4/ Horn of Africa and South.

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(2) Area of hostilities (assume independence)
(continued) --

Relationships of area to level of intensity

Bay of Bengal/General War	10 %
Limited War	20 %
Insurgency	50 %
Ltd. War and Insurg.	20 %
	100 %
South Asia/ General War	20 %
Limited War	50 %
Insurgency	20 %
Ltd. War and Insurg.	10 %
	100 %
Persian Gulf/General War	20 %
Limited War	30 %
Insurgency	30 %
Ltd. War and Insurg.	20 %
	100 %
East Africa/General War	5 %
Limited War	20 %
Insurgency	50 %
Ltd. War and Insurg.	25 %
	100 %

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